(ii) Establishment of DIETs has been approved for 498 Districts in 28 States and 4 Union Territories.

(iii) Upgradation of 124 Secondary Teacher Education Institutions has been sanctioned in 24 States and 1 Union Territory.

(iv) Strengthening of SCERTs was sanctioned for 19 States and 1 Union Territory.

(v) The fifth component *viz.* Establishment and Strengthening of University Departments of Education, through University Grants Commission, could not be implemented as such, though strengthening of a few selected University Departments of Education was sanctioned under the third component mentioned above.

National languages as medium of examination

2018. SHRI E.M. SUDARSANA NATCHIAPPAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the "National Institute of Open Schooling" conducted by HRD is encouraging the children to write examinations in their mother tongue which are the national languages mentioned in Eighth Schedule of the Constitution of India; and

(b) if not, whether Government would immediately make arrangement to include Tamil and other national languages as medium from the current academic year for general and vocational courses as more than 25 lakh Tamil people are living as minority in Delhi?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALIASHRAF FATMI): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. As per the information provided by the National Institute of Open Schooling, a learner can write the examination in any scheduled regional language.

Stree Shakti Scheme

2019. SHRI K.B. KRISHNA MURTHY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it has come to Government's notice that the Karnataka

Government has promoted one lakh women self-help groups under the "Stree Shakti" scheme;

(b) if so, whether the State Government has sought any additional grants;

(c) if so, the amount thereof; and

(d) the present status of the above proposal?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI KANTI SINGH): (a) Government of Karnataka and submitted a proposal namely, Stree Shakti-2, for formation of one lakh women's Self-Help Groups to the Ministry of Finance.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Cost ranging between Rs. 2,327 million and Rs. 15, 689.00 million.

(d) The proposal has been returned to the State Government by the Ministry of Finance for restructuring.

India Shining Campaign

2020. SHRIANAND SHARMA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the date on which Government adopted the proposal of launching India Shining/Bharat Uday' campaigns and the authority that sanctioned the spending of funds from the State Exchequer;

(b) the names of Ministries, Departments and PSUs that carried out the campaign and the number of advertisements; and

(c) the amount spent on the campaign in both print and electronic media?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI .S. JAIPAL REDDY): (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Applications for DTH Services

2021. SHRI ABANI ROY: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state: